

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGES
ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION\FISCAL, FACILITIES AND AUDIT

ACTION: **First and Final Round Approval of Revisions to Board Policy 8035; Facilities; Alcohol Use**

Policy 8035 has been reformatted and is being retitled "Alcohol Use". There are no substantive changes to the policy. In addition to the requirement to follow all Nebraska statutes related to alcohol consumption, the policy now includes language that a person must be twenty-one (21) years of age to consume alcohol at a campus function.

The System Office recommends approval of the Revisions to Board Policy 8035; Facilities; Alcohol Use.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Revisions to Board Policy 8035 (PDF)

Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges

FacilitiesBusiness and Finance

POLICY NAME: ~~Facilities; Alcohol Use~~ Alcohol Use

POLICY NUMBER: 8035

A. PURPOSE

To identify the locations and situations where alcohol use is permitted at the Colleges.

B. DEFINITIONS

None

C. POLICY

1. Alcohol Use at Sponsored Events

Alcoholic beverages may be served to individuals twenty-one years of age or older at specific alumni and community functions or at an event or program, such as a banquet, official entertainment or reception approved and hosted by the president, or his or her designee.

- The Colleges must comply with Nebraska statutes, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Nebraska Liquor Commission relating to the consumption of alcohol.
- Food and nonalcoholic beverages shall also be available any time alcoholic beverages are served.

~~The following guidelines regarding alcoholic beverages will be observed:~~

~~All Nebraska liquor control regulations and statutes will be observed.~~

2. Alcohol Use in Academic Course

In approved academic courses where samples containing alcohol are being studied, but not consumed, students age 19 and above may possess and conduct experiments on test samples using the standard operation procedures of the laboratory, ~~as allowed by Nebraska revised statute section 53-180.02.~~ The College may, at the discretion of the president, allow alcoholic beverages to be possessed and consumed by individuals twenty-one (21) years of age or older in conjunction with an approved academic course and curriculum. For example, a chemistry course addressing technical/chemical composition may be combined with wine tasting opportunities.

3. Alcohol Event Procedures

The following guidelines will be applicable to dispensing and consumption of alcoholic beverages at scheduled events on College property or at College sponsored events that occur off campus.

- The College is responsible for and shall control the dispensing of alcoholic beverages provided by a private individual, group or organization sponsoring or participating at an approved event.
- The duration of the event shall be restricted as specified by the president or his or her designee.
- The College may provide, for a fee, all services and set-ups.
- Unused quantities of alcoholic beverages will remain the property of the private individual, group or organization sponsoring or participating in the event.
- Only persons invited by the College to attend the event and necessary College personnel may be present at the event. All other persons shall be excluded.
- While the Colleges may not sell alcoholic beverages, under any circumstance, the president may authorize appropriately licensed vendors to sell alcoholic beverages at events.
- Each president may promulgate specific College policies further controlling and regulating the dispensing and consumption of alcoholic beverages at scheduled events consistent with this policy.

SOURCE:

Legal Reference: Neb. Rev. Stat. 53-101-~~53-1,122~~ Nebraska Liquor Control Act et seq.,
~~note especially 53-180.02 and 53-186~~

Policy Adopted: July 1987

Policy Revised: March 1994, April 2002, September 2006, June 2011, June 2014, January 2018, June 2018, January 2023